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SUBJECT: GATT WP'S ON FINLAND - EASTERN EUROPEAN FREE
TRADE AGREEMENTS

REF: A) STATE 143319; B) GENEVA 4963; C) BRUSSELS 5198

1. WE CONTINUE TO PREFER SCHEDULING OF FIRST MEETINGS
OF SUBJECT WORKING PARTIES IN ORDER OF SIGNATURE RATHER
THAN ORDER OF NOTIFICATION. THEREFORE MISSION SHOULD
PRESS AGAIN FOR ORDER OF SIGNATURE SCHEDULING, DRAWING
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ON ARGUMENTS IN REF A.

2. SHOULD IT PROVE IMPOSSIBLE TO OBTAIN FINN-EE AGREEMENT TO ORDER OF SIGNATURE SCHEDULING, MISSION MAY AGREE TO ORDER OF NOTIFICATION SCHEDULING WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT A) THE FIRST MEETINGS OF THE WP'S WILL BE HELD IN CLOSE PROXIMITY, PREFERABLY CONSECUTIVELY, AND B) THE FIRST MEETINGS WILL BE CONSIDERED INITIAL SESSIONS TO BE FOLLOWED BY ADDITIONAL WP CONSIDERATION AT A LATER DATE (I.E. THERE WOULD BE NO ATTEMPT BY PARTICIPANTS TO REACH CONCLUSIONS IN THESE FIRST MEETINGS).

3. IN VIEW EC POSITION REPORTED REF C YOU SHOULD SEEK LUYTEN'S AGREEMENT TO JOIN IN OUR APPROACH.

4. AS INDICATED IN REF A, WE HAVE NO OBJECTION TO MEETINGS BEING DEFERRED UNTIL THE FALL. INGERSOLL

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